

**SEC. 5007. ADDING BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT THROUGH RECREATION, SPORTS, OR AMUSEMENT, INCLUDING RACE TRACKS, TO THE SHUTTERED VENUE OPERATOR GRANT PROGRAM.**

Section 324 of the Economic Aid to Hard-Hit Small Businesses, Nonprofits, and Venues Act (title III of division N of Public Law 116-260) is amended—

- (1) in subsection (a)—
- (A) in paragraph (1)—
- (i) in subparagraph (A)—
- (I) in the matter preceding clause (i), by inserting “an entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,”;
- (II) in clause (i)—
- (aa) in the matter preceding subclause (I), by inserting “the entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,”;
- (bb) in subclause (I), by inserting “an entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,”; and
- (cc) in subclause (II), by inserting “the entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,”;
- (III) in clause (ii)(III), by inserting “or entertainment business operator” after “operator”;
- (IV) in clause (vi)—
- (aa) in subclause (I)—
- (AA) in the matter preceding item (aa), by inserting “the entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,”; and
- (BB) in item (bb), by inserting “the entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,”;
- (bb) in subclause (II)—
- (AA) in the matter preceding item (aa), by inserting “the entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,”; and
- (BB) by inserting “entertainment businesses,” after “theatres,” each place that term appears;
- (cc) in subclause (III)—
- (AA) by inserting “(aa)” before “The live”;
- and
- (BB) by adding at the end the following:
 

“(bb) In the case of an entertainment business operator, the operator has not received, on or after the date of enactment of this item, a loan guaranteed under paragraph (36) or (37) of section 7(a) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(a)).”; and
- (dd) in subclause (IV), by inserting “the entertainment business operator” after “theatre operator,” each place that term appears; and
- (ii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “entertainment business operator,” after “theatre operator,” each place that term appears; and

(B) by adding at the end the following:
 

“(11) ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS OPERATOR.—The term ‘entertainment business operator’ means an individual or entity that operates a business that provides live entertainment through recreation, sports, or amusement, including a race track.”.

**SA 992.** Mr. BRAUN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of part 1 of subtitle A of title IX, insert the following:

**SEC. 9019. CAP ON TEMPORARY INCREASED UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFITS AT PRIOR WAGES WITH THE SAVINGS GOING TO FUNDING PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.**

(a) CAP.—

(1) PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE.—Section 2102(d) of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9021(d)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “The assistance” and inserting “Subject to paragraph (4), the assistance”;

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “In the case” and inserting “Subject to paragraph (4), in the case”;

(C) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(5) LIMITATION.—For weeks of unemployment ending after March 14, 2021, and ending on or before August 29, 2021, the total amount of the weekly assistance applicable to an individual under paragraph (1) or (2) (including the increase under section 2104) may not exceed—

“(A) in the case of paragraph (1), the amount of the individual’s average weekly wages on which the individual’s weekly benefit is based; and

“(B) in the case of paragraph (2), the amount of the individual’s average weekly wages for an appropriate period prior to the receipt of assistance under such section, as determined by the Secretary of Labor.”.

(2) FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.—Section 2104(b) of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9023(b)) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (1), in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “Any agreement” and inserting “Subject to paragraph (4), any agreement”;

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) LIMITATION.—For weeks of unemployment ending after March 14, 2021, and ending on or before August 29, 2021, the sum of the weekly amount described in subparagraphs (A) (regular compensation), (B) (Federal pandemic unemployment compensation), and (C) (Mixed Earner Unemployment Compensation) of paragraph (1) with respect to an individual may not exceed the amount of the individual’s average weekly wages on which the amount described in such subparagraph (A) is based.”.

(3) PANDEMIC EMERGENCY UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION.—Section 2107(b)(3) of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9025(b)(3)) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: “The limitation under section 2104(b)(4) shall apply for purposes of determining the weekly benefit amount under the preceding sentence.”.

(4) SHORT-TIME COMPENSATION.—

(A) STATES WITH PROGRAMS IN LAW.—Section 2108(a) of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9026(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(4) TOTAL PAYMENT MAY NOT EXCEED WEEKLY WAGES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—For weeks of unemployment ending after March 14, 2021, and ending on or before August 29, 2021, the sum of the amounts described in subparagraph (B) with respect to an individual for a week may not exceed the amount of the individual’s average weekly wages on which the amount described in subparagraph (B)(ii) is based.

“(B) AMOUNTS.—The amounts described in this subparagraph are the following with respect to a week:

“(i) The amount of the wages the individual receives from the employer for the week for the reduced hours under the short-time compensation program.

“(ii) The amount of the regular compensation (including dependents’ allowances) payable to such individual for the week under the short-time compensation program.

“(iii) The amount of Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation under section 2104 payable to such individual for the week under the short-time compensation program.”.

(B) AGREEMENTS.—Section 2109(b)(2) of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9027(b)(2)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(C) TOTAL PAYMENT MAY NOT EXCEED WEEKLY WAGES.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—For weeks of unemployment ending after March 14, 2021, and ending on or before August 29, 2021, the sum of the amounts described in clause (ii) with respect to an individual for a week may not exceed the amount of the individual’s average weekly wages on which the amount described in clause (ii)(II) is based.

“(ii) AMOUNTS.—The amounts described in this clause are the following with respect to a week:

“(I) The amount of the wages the individual receives from the employer for the week for the reduced hours under the short-time compensation plan under the agreement.

“(II) The amount of the regular compensation (including dependents’ allowances) payable to such individual for the week under such short-time compensation plan.

“(III) The amount of Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation under section 2104 payable to such individual for the week under such short-time compensation plan.”.

(b) PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter C of chapter 2 of title II of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2311 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SEC. 249C. PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Labor shall provide payments to States in amounts specified in subsection (b) for projects described in subsection (c).

“(b) AMOUNTS OF PAYMENTS.—The amount of payments to a State under subsection (a) shall be an amount equal the reduced amount of Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation payments made under 2104 of the CARES Act (15 U.S.C. 9023) to individuals in the State for weeks of unemployment ending after March 14, 2021, and ending on or before August 29, 2021, by reason of the amendments made by section 9019(a) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

“(c) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts received by a State pursuant to subsection (a) shall be used by the State to invest in workforce development projects.

“(2) WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS DEFINED.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the term ‘workforce development projects’ means programs related to providing—

“(A) job training to unemployed or underemployed individuals;

“(B) education services to assist adults in improving their basic skills, including completing secondary education and transitioning to postsecondary education; and

“(C) employment-related vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with disabilities.

“(3) RETURN OF UNUSED AMOUNTS.—Any amount received by a State pursuant to subsection (a) that remains unobligated as of December 21, 2022, shall be returned by the State to the Secretary of the Treasury for deposit into the general fund of the Treasury.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents for the Trade Act of 1974 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 249B the following:

“Sec. 249C. Payments to States for workforce development projects.”.

**SA 993.** Mr. JOHNSON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to

amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike subtitle F of title VII.

**SA 994.** Mr. JOHNSON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 6002.

**SA 995.** Mr. JOHNSON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . REDUCTION OF BUDGET AUTHORITY.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Each amount made available to an agency under this Act, or an amendment made by this Act, shall be reduced, on a pro rata basis, by the amount required to reduce the total amount made available to the agency under this Act, and the amendments made by this Act, by the amount equal to the amount of the unobligated balances, as of the date of enactment of this Act, of amounts made available to the agency under any of the Acts described in subsection (b).

(b) COVID RELIEF ACTS.—The Acts described in this subsection are the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Public Law 116-136), the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (Public Law 116-127), the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act (Public Law 116-139), the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (division M of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260)), the Emergency Aid for Returning Americans Affected by Coronavirus Act (Public Law 116-148), and the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (Public Law 116-159).

**SA 996.** Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. HAGERTY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. SANDERS) to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 9831.

**SA 997.** Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. STABENOW,

Mr. TESTER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. SANDERS) to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2021.

**SA 998.** Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. SANDERS) to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2022.

**SA 999.** Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. SANDERS) to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike section 2023.

**SA 1000.** Mrs. BLACKBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 891 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BROWN, Mr. PETERS, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. CARPER, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. SANDERS) to the bill H.R. 1319, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 5; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 2001, insert the following after subsection (g):

(h) REQUIREMENT FOR FUNDING.—Notwithstanding, any other provision of this section, a State shall not receive funds under this section if that State does not allow non-public elementary and secondary schools (including religious schools) in the State to operate for in-person instruction.

**AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**

Mr. PETERS. Mr. President, I have 5 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs is authorized to

meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 4, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 4, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on a nomination.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 4, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on subcommittee

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 4, 2021, at 10:15 a.m., to conduct a hearing on a nomination.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, March 4, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. BALDWIN). The junior Senator from Maryland.

**ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021**

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9 a.m. Friday, March 5; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; finally, that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 1319, and there be 3 hours of debate remaining, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two managers or their designees; and that it be in order for Senator SANDERS to offer the first amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

**ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9 A.M. TODAY**

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 2:05 a.m., adjourned until Friday, March 5, 2021, at 9 a.m.